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AND 200-MILE FISHERIES ZONE

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1. KNOWLEDGE OF PROPOSED UNILATERAL ACTION BY US ON MATTERS UNDER
NEGOTIATION AT LOS CONFERENCE WOULD OF COURSE IRRITATE ZAIRIANS.
HOWEVER, PASSAGE OF S. 1988 (200-MILE FISHERIES ZONE) WOULD PROBABLY
NOT ALTER ZAIRE'S POSITION ON FISHERIES SIGNIFICANTLY. GOZ WOULD
SIMPLY BE STRENGTHENED IN ITS POLICY OF SUPPORTING WHAT WE UNDER-
STAND TO BE WIDESPREAD AFRICAN VIEW THAT COASTAL STATES SHOULD HAVE
EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OVER LIVING RESOURCES IN 200-MILE ECONOMIC
ZONE. ALTHOUGH ITS OWN WINDOW ON SEA IS NARROW, ZAIRE APPEARS TO
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EXPECT THAT IN AFRICA THE FISHING RIGHTS OF LANDLOCKED OR ZONE

LOCKED NEIGHBORS OF COASTAL STATES CAN BE WORKED OUT AND
IMPLEMENTED IN AN AFRICAN FRAMEWORK.

2. KNOWLEDGE, BUT PARTICULARLY PASSAGE, OF S.1134 (DEEP
SEABED BILL) WOULD HAVE MORE SERIOUS REPERCUSSIONS HERE. GOZ
TOOK FIRM POSITION AT CARACAS IN FAVOR OF STRONG INTERNATIONAL
CONTROLS OF DEEP SEABED EXPLOITATION. UNILATERAL US ACTION WOULD
REDUCE, PERHAPS GREATLY, ITS WILLINGNESS TO COMPROMISE ON OTHER
ISSUES OF CONCERN TO US. (E.G., STRAITS). HINTON

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